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REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON ITS TWENTY-EIGHTH SESSION

Draft report

Rapporteur: Ms. Chris DENELL (Sweden)

Chapter ____

ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Statistical Commission held its twenty-eighth session at United Nations Headquarters from 27 February to 3 March 1995. The Commission held ____ meetings (475th to ____).
2. The session was opened by the temporary Chairman, Mr. Joseph Olenski (Poland).
3. The Under-Secretary-General for the Department for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development addressed the Commission.

B. Attendance

4. The session was attended by 23 States members of the Commission. Observers for other States Members of the United Nations and observers for intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations also attended. A list of participants is given in annex I.

C. Election of officers

5. At its 475th meeting, on 27 February, the Commission elected the following officers by acclamation:

Chairman: William McLennan (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)

Vice-Chairmen: Carlos Jarque (Mexico)

Zhang Sai (China)

Y. Yurkov (Russian Federation)

6. At the 477th meeting, on 29 February, the Commission elected Ms. Chris Denell (Sweden) as Rapporteur.

D. Agenda and organization of work

7. At its 475th meeting, on 27 February, the Commission adopted the provisional agenda contained in document E/CN.3/1995/1, with the addition of item 18, as orally amended. The agenda was as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of international statistical work in the United Nations system.
4. National accounts.
5. Industrial and construction statistics.
6. International trade statistics.
7. Finance statistics.
8. Price statistics.
9. Service statistics.
10. International economic classifications.
11. Demographic and social statistics.
12. Measuring and monitoring economic and social development.
13. Environment statistics.
14. Technical cooperation in statistics.

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15. Coordination and integration of international statistical programmes.
 16. Programme questions and related matters.
 17. Provisional agenda for the twenty-ninth session of the Commission.
 18. Critical problems in economic statistics.
 19. Report of the Commission on its twenty-eighth session.
8. At the same meeting, the Commission approved the organization of the work of the session (E/CN.3/1995/L.1), as orally amended.

Action taken by the Commission

The Commission:

(a) Agreed that the subject was of sufficient importance to merit attention at the next session of the Commission and that relevant papers should be prepared;

(b) Requested the Statistical Division to work with representatives from the United States, the Czech Republic, India and the International Monetary Fund to systematize the various ingredients in the discussion, to decide what papers needed to be produced and to commission those papers;

(c) Requested the Statistical Division to report on progress to the Commission's Working Group on International Statistical Programmes and Coordination, at its session in ... 1995.
